

CITY AFFAIRS.

Meeting This Day.

Franklin Lodge, No. 7; M., Charleston Board of Trade, at 7 P.M.; Pioneer Fire Company, at half-past 7 P.M.; Atlantic Fire Company, at half-past 7 P.M.; Hook and Ladder, No. 2, at half-past 7 P.M.

Auction Sales This Day.

R. H. Marshall & Brother will sell at half-past 10 o'clock, at their office, annatto, turmeric, etc.

Miles Drake will sell at 10 o'clock, at his store, clothing, dry goods, &c.

N. A. Hunt will sell at 10 o'clock, at his store, soap, shoes, &c.

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SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL.

Council was called to order at half-past 7 o'clock. Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Geddings, Potter, Cunningham, Barrow, Greene, Collier, Voigt, Holloway, Brown, K. P. Wall, Smell, Hampton.

Alderman Geddings presented the petition of Mr. Penman, relative to the transfer of the Gedding property in the city, and a statement of the fact were read by General James Sturges, attorney for Mr. Penman. The whole subject was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, with instructions to report at the next meeting.

Alderman Greene presented the following petition: Mrs. Jane Gordon, to dig a well; Mrs. Kennedy, for a publishing license; B. Indian, for pay as sergeant of police. Referred to the appropriate committees.

Alderman Barrow presented the following petition:

Mosier, Hobson & Calber, for the erection of a steam engine. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines.

The Phoenix Engine Company, for an additional lamp in Cambridge street, opposite the engine house.

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